

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration PROGRAM PLANNING AND INTEGRATION Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

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Dear Reviewer:

In accordance with provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), we enclose for your review the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) for Final Reef Fish Amendment 30A: Greater Amberjack - Revise Rebuilding Plan, Accountability Measures; Gray Triggerfish - Establish Rebuilding Plan, End Overfishing, Accountability Measures, Regional Management, Management Thresholds and Benchmarks (Amendment 30A).

This FSEIS is prepared pursuant to the NEPA to assess the environmental impacts associated with NOAA proceeding with regulatory alternatives needed to address stock rebuilding and overfishing of greater amberjack and gray triggerfish in Amendment 30A. Measures being considered are to: 1) Modify the greater amberjack rebuilding plan and consider greater amberjack accountability measures; 2) evaluate greater amberjack recreational and commercial management alternatives; 3) establish thresholds and benchmarks for gray triggerfish; 4) develop a gray triggerfish rebuilding plan and evaluate gray triggerfish accountability measures; 5) consider gray triggerfish regional management measures; and 6) evaluate gray triggerfish recreational and commercial management alternatives.

NOAA is not required to respond to comments received as a result of issuance of the FSEIS. However, comments will be reviewed and considered for their impact on issuance of a record of decision (ROD). Please send comments to the responsible official identified below. The ROD will be made available publicly following final agency action on or after May 19, 2008.

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